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- 1. AT FIRST PLENARY SESSION DOMINICAN MINISTER OF EDUCATION ELECTED PRESIDENT OF MEETING. ELECTIONS TO WORKING COMMITTEES ARE AS FOLLOWS: VENEZUELA, GENERAL INSTITUTIONAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS; COSTA RICA, EDUCATION; UNITED STATES, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PRESENTLY CHAIRED BY UNDER SECRETARY CARLUCCI OF HEW; PERU; CULTURE.
- 2. IN SPEECHES AT EVENING INAUGURAL SESSION BOTH SECGEN GALO PLAZA AND CEPCIECC CHAIRMAN CONTRERAS PULIDO EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AS NECESSARY TO REDUCE ECONOMIC DIFFERENCES BETWEEN NATIONS. THEY ALSO STRESSED IMPORTANCE TO DEVELOPMENT OF THE MAR DEL PLATA RESOLUTION. PRESIDENT BALAGUER IN HIS WELCOMING SPEECH REFERRED TO THE NEED FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TO HAVE FULL AND UNBIASED EXPOSURE TO ALL POLITICAL SYSTEMS BEFORE DECIDING WHAT WAS BEST FOR THEIR COUNTRY. AS PASSING ILLUSTRATION HE CITED THE NOW DEFUNCT GOVERNMENT OF CHILE AND THE EXISTING GOVERNMENTS IN PERU AND BRAZIL. IN PRIVATE, THE BRAZIL DELEGATION EXPRESSED DISPLEASURE WITH THE PRESIDENT'S REFERENCE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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3. FOURTEEN MINISTERS OF EDUCATION AND OTHER HIGH-LEVEN OFFICIALS
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